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Applicant: Roth, Douglas  
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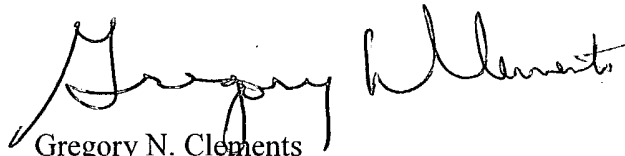
Dear Sir:

REMARKS

We have received no further Office Actions following our Response dated January 9, 2004 to the Office Action regarding the Notice of Abandonment dated December 16, 2003. A return receipt postcard for this transmittal was dated as received by the Patent Office on January 12, 2004. Copies of all above-mentioned documents with enclosures are attached herewith again, as they were with our Response dated January 9, 2004.

As set forth in our Response of January 9, 2004, we believe that the Office Action dated June 19, 2003 was responded to in a timely manner and that the Notice of Abandonment was premature. In view of this substantiated information, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and such is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory N. Clements". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gregory" being more prominent than the last name "Clements".

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